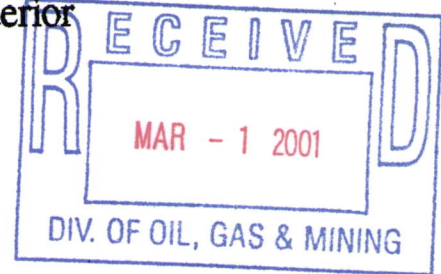




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To Whom It May Concern:

Mr. Neil Bradshaw currently holds a notice of intent (BLM file UTU-77247) to conduct prospecting and small mine activity within the area of the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of section 22, T. 35 S., R. 17 W., Iron County. The lands involved are entirely public lands managed by the Cedar City Field Office of the BLM. The notice of intent was originally accepted in May of 1999, and recently amended in January, 2001 to begin a small surface mining and crushing operation for decorative stone. Because the material being removed might not meet the legal standard of being an "uncommon variety" of stone and subject to royalty-free removal under the mining law, the operator has agreed to paying a royalty on the material removed. The mining and processing operations are being conducted under the 43 CFR 3809 surface management regulations under which the activity was initially authorized.

Surface management regulations (43 CFR 3809) require reclamation of all disturbed public land and that reasonable measures be taken to prevent unnecessary or undue degradation of the land. The surface mining and processing activity associated with this operation were made subject to the regulatory reclamation standard cited in 43 CFR 3809.1-3(d), as well as various operating practices and reclamation standards specific to lands managed through this office, as part of the approval of the notice of intent. In addition, the operator is subject to the reclamation standards promulgated under the State of Utah Mined Land Reclamation Act (Title 40, Chapter 8, Utah Code Annotated) for small mine operations. These standards are given in the Division of Natural Resources, Division of Oil, Gas, and Mining, Mineral Reclamation Program Rules under R647-3-109, Reclamation Practices.

If you have any questions, feel free to call me at (435) 865-3040.

Sincerely,

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